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SUBJECT: VEHICLE REPLACEMENT AND MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

REF: A. SINAI 1315, B. SINAI 1324

1. APPRECIATE COMPREHENSIVE DISCUSSION OF VEHICLE REPLACEMENT NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED REF A. ESY HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO BUY RECOMMENDED VEHICLES AND ORDER HAS BEEN PLACED WITH VENDOR. WE HAVE REASONABLE ASSURANCES FROM DEALER THAT ORDER WILL BE ACCEPTED BY MANUFACTURER FOR 1978 MODELS. SOME MODIFICATIONS TO ESY SPECIFICATIONS MAY BE REQUIRED IF MANUFACTURER HAS RUN OUT OF PARTICULAR COMPONENT ITEM, SUCH AS PARTICULAR GEAR RATIO. SUCH MODIFICATIONS, IF ANY, EXPECTED TO BE MINOR, AND WE WILL KNOW IN ADVANCE WHAT THEY WILL BE.

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2. APPEARS ACTION TAKEN ON ROOF REPAIR AND R AND R SUB-CONTRACTS REPORTED IN REF B. ADEQUATE UNTIL KNAUF'S RETURN.

3. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, SSM HAS RECEIVED PROPOSAL FROM STAPLES RESEARCH, INC., FOR PURCHASE OF THREE ADDITIONAL

OPTICAL MOUNTS, WITH ADDITION OF TWO HANDLES SUGGESTED BY
SFM DIRECTOR. KIMMEL WILL BE NEGOTIATING CONTRACT THIS

WEEK.

4. SSM HAS LOCATED POTENTIAL SOURCE FOR ALIGNING ZEISS
15 X 60 BINOCULAR, AND HAVE ASKED COMPANY FOR ESTIMATE
OF COST TO ADD CROSSHAIRS IN EYEPiece. WILL KEEP YOU
ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

5. INITIAL NEGOTIATIONS WITH THREE COMPETING FIRMS ON
AIRCRAFT TRACKING SYSTEM WERE COMPLETED LAST WEEK. WE ARE
AWAITING WRITTEN CONFIRMATION OF NEGOTIATIONS, AND ANY
PROPOSAL CHANGES MADE NECESSARY BY THESE DISCUSSIONS.
STAPLES RESEARCH APPEARS TO BE FRONT RUNNER AT THIS TIME.
FOR SCHEDULING PURPOSES, WE ARE PLANNING AWARD OF CONTRACT
FOR THE SYSTEM BY JUNE 23, 1978. CHRISTOPHER

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